

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF FOOTHILLS	)	
RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE	)	CASE NO.
CORPORATION, INC. FOR A GENERAL	)	2017-00086
ADJUSTMENT IN RATES		

ORDER

On May 23, 2017, Foothills Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (“Foothills Rural Telephone”) filed a motion to withdraw its application without prejudice. In its motion, Foothills Rural Telephone stated that the purpose of the requested rate adjustment was to enable Foothills Rural Telephone to comply with the rate floor established by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”).<sup>1</sup> On May 18, 2017, the FCC ordered a “freeze [of] the rate floor at \$18 for two years unless or until we take further actions in this proceeding.”<sup>2</sup> Therefore, Foothills Rural Telephone requests the Commission to permit it to terminate this case by withdrawing its application without prejudice. Foothills Rural Telephone also states it will promptly notify its customers of the requested withdrawal.

Foothills Rural Telephone has provided sufficient grounds to support its motion to withdraw its application. The FCC’s freeze of the rate floor has removed any need for a

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<sup>1</sup> See *In the Matter of Connect America Fund et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161* (Nov 18, 2011)

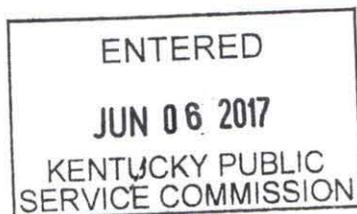
<sup>2</sup> Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, WC Docket 10-90 (May 18, 2017)

rate increase in basic local exchange rates at this time. The Commission finds that Foothills Rural Telephone's motion should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Foothills Rural Telephone's request to withdraw its application without prejudice is granted.
2. This case is closed and removed from the Commission's active docket.

By the Commission



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